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C. I. A. Officer Dies Of Poison in Home

Note and Vial Are Found in Georgetown Residence

WASHINGTON, March 31 (UP)

—James S. Krontnai, forty-one, administrative officer in the super-secret Central Intelligence Agency, apparently killed himself today by drinking poison in his Georgetown home.

Police said Mr. Kronthal left a note, but they would not discuss its contents. Capt. Daniel Fletcher said "every indication points to suicide." A Coroner's certificate was withheld, however, pending an autopsy and chemical analysis of the vial of poison found beside the body.

Mr. Kronthal, who lived alone, was a former Army captain and assistant instructor at Harvard. A spokesman said he had worked for C. I. A. "two or three years" in an administrative capacity. His next of kin was listed as Mrs. Maude R. Kronthal, of 70 E. 71st St., New York. Police said she is seriously ill with a heart ailment.

Mr. Kronthal's body was found by co-workers who apparently went to his house to investigate why he did not report for work today. **CPYRGHT**